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12th December 2022

Dear Parents/Carer

Sheffield Hallam's Hertha Ayrton STEM centre

Trip Leader: Mr Meecham

I am pleased to offer an exciting opportunity for Year 13 Biology students to visit Sheffield Hallam's Hertha Ayrton STEM centre on Friday 13th January 2023. The students will be carrying out PCR and gel electrophoresis work in the laboratories, which will be highly valuable in preparing them for an important area of the A-Level Biology course. We will depart from QEGS at 8am and the activities will finish at 12pm, with an estimated time of arrival back at QEGS of 1.30pm.

The cost for the day will be £16.50 payable via Parentpay* to cover the cost of the minibus. The law currently allows us to make no charge for this category of educational activity, though we may ask for voluntary contributions. No student may be excluded from the activity because of a parent's unwillingness or inability to make a financial contribution. However, if the voluntary financial contributions received do not cover the cost of the coach, the trip may not run. The deadline for making this payment is Sunday 1st January 2023. If you want your child to attend, but are unable to meet the cost, please contact finance@qegs.email.

Students will have the option of taking a packed lunch or bringing money to purchase lunch in one of the food outlets on campus. For lab safety, students must wear trousers or jeans – no tights, ripped jeans or skirts allowed in the lab. Socks must be worn (no trainer socks). Footwear must cover the feet – no sandals or flip flops.

Please email me if you have any questions: meecham@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk

Yours faithfully

Rob Meecham

Teacher of Science – Curriculum Leader

**by clicking the "consent" button on ParentPay to confirm the payment detailed above, you are also confirming that the emergency contact and medical details we have on our system are correct for your child. Please inform me as a matter of urgency should there be any changes to the details we hold.*